PLUS Program to have Completion Ceremony at Miami Correctional Facility

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Bunker Hill, INDIANA (Oct. 16, 2007) – The Miami Correctional Facility's Purposeful Living Units Serve recently donated \$2,000 towards developing a scholarship at Indiana Wesleyan University.

This is a first for an Indiana Department of Correction PLUS Unit. The scholarship was established to demonstrate the MCF PLUS Unit's desire to invest in the lives of young people who will make a positive impact in the world around them for years to come. The scholarship is to be funded by gifts to Indiana Wesleyan University from the MCF PLUS Unit. The anticipated funding is \$2,000 annually generated by the fund raising efforts of the PLUS Unit.

The first scholarship recipient is Brandon A. Beachy, 21, of Kokomo. Beachy, a junior at IWU, is majoring in criminal justice and political science/pre-law. Beachy is pictured with Tricia Pretorius who is the Program Director over the PLUS Unit. The scholarship was awarded at a Scholarship luncheon recently at IWU.

The scholarship will be administered through the Financial Aid Committee of Indiana Wesleyan University. Preference will be given to a graduate or undergraduate student attending IWU majoring in criminal justice and/or addictions who exhibit exemplary character And demonstrate excellence in their personal, spiritual, and academic Endeavors. Students also shall be held in high regard by fellow Students and faculty.

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